## **DIGEST**

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Morrell SB No. 135

<u>Present law</u> provides that elections for parochial and municipal officers in a parish containing a municipality with a population of 300,000 or more shall be held every four years. Provides that primary elections for such officers shall be held on the first Sat. in Feb. of an election year. Provides that general elections for such officers shall be held on the fourth Sat. after the first Sat. in Feb. of an election year. Provides for special elections and proposition or question elections to be held on these dates subject to certain requirements.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that in 2014, the general elections for parochial and municipal officers in a parish containing a municipality with a population of 300,000 or more and special general elections and proposition or question elections held at the same time shall be held on the third Sat. in March instead of the fourth Sat. after the first Sat. in Feb.

Proposed law is repealed effective June 1, 2014.

(Adds R.S. 18:418.1 and 418.2; Repeals R.S. 18:418.1 and 418.2 effective June 1, 2014)

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

## Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill.

- 1. Deleted all language in the engrossed version of the bill which provided exception regarding general elections for parochial and municipal officers in 2014.
- 2. Added language requiring that general elections for parochial and municipal officers, special general elections and proposition or question elections held in a parish containing a municipality with a population of 300,000 or more not be held on the fourth Saturday after the first Saturday in February in 2014, but be held on the third Saturday in March.
- 3. Added language stating that <u>proposed law</u> is only effective until June 1, 2014.

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs</u> to the <u>reengrossed</u> bill.

1. Instead of providing that <u>proposed law</u> is effective until June 1, 2014, repeals <u>proposed law</u> effective June 1, 2014.